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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Lorraine Little Jackson of Benld, who passed away on December 8, 2021; and

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WHEREAS, Lorraine Jackson was born to James Forbes and Ida Arndt Forbes in New Douglas on April 22, 1933; she married Marvin Little, and he passed away in 1983; she later married William Jackson; and

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WHEREAS, Lorraine Jackson retired as a waitress and restaurant manager for the Mill Cafe; in 1983 with her husband Marvin, she founded the Benld Adopt-A-Pet, a not-for-profit no-kill shelter; she remained its shelter director until her passing, overseeing the adoption of over 30,000 animals during her tenure; and

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WHEREAS, Lorraine Jackson was a friend, a mentor, and a leader; she was a formidable woman who loved animals and tirelessly dedicated her life towards helping them; and

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WHEREAS, Lorraine Jackson was preceded in death by her parents; both of her spouses; her stepson, Marvin Little; her brother, James Merle Forbes; and her sister, Velma Talick; and

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1 WHEREAS, Lorraine Jackson is survived by her stepdaughter,
2 Barbara Smothers; her six step-grandchildren; her sisters,
3 Laverne Slightom and Jeanie Fox; and her brother, Ron Forbes;
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5 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL
6 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
7 Lorraine Little Jackson and extend our sincere condolences to
8 her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
9 further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 presented to the family of Lorraine Jackson as an expression
12 of our deepest sympathy.